



AREA

REGULATIONS

The hunt area is the land owned and managed by the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) as the Grizzly Island Wildlife Area (see attached map).

- 1. The season is divided into five (5) hunt periods. Legislation allows DFG to offer two (2) fundraising tags for bull elk at Grizzly Island Wildlife Area. The tags netted DFG \$81,000 in 2003 for use in elk management and research in California. The season for the Grizzly Island fund-raising hunt begins on the Saturday, August 2, 2003 and continues through Sunday, August 31, 2003. The hunt periods for the remaining bull and antlerless elk tags are prescribed by DFG as indicated in the 2003 Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers.
- 2. A bull elk is defined as any elk with at least one antler which is exposed and visible above the hair line. A spike bull elk is defined as a bull elk having no more than one point on either antler. An antler point is a projection of the antler at least one inch long and longer than the width of its base. Antlerless elk is defined as any elk, with the exception of spotted calves, lacking antlers which are exposed above the hair line.
- 3. Tule elk are heavy bodied animals requiring traditional large caliber rifles and accurate bullet placement for quick, clean kills. Sight-in firearms prior to the hunt. Facilities are available at GIWA to test fire your rifle for accuracy, and experienced DFG personnel are available to discuss the best equipment and cartridge selection for this hunt.
- 4. All elk tag recipients must attend a hunter orientation meeting. Orientation meetings will be held at the "elk pen" camping area marked on the enclosed map. Look for the "Elk Orientation" sign at Parking Lot #2 across the road from the DFG corporation yard. The orientation meeting will occur at 5:00 p.m. on the day before your hunt period begins. Please bring your firearm to the orientation for inspection.
- 5. Tag holders are strongly encouraged to have one non-hunter accompany them into the hunt area. The non-hunting companion may not carry or handle any firearms.
- 6. Tag recipients will be allowed to scout the hunt area through July 27, 2003. After July 28, the wildlife area will be closed to general public access, and pre-hunt scouting will be allowed for tag holders by arrangement only. Have your tag in possession while scouting. To arrange for scouting after July 27, 2003, call (707) 425-3828.
- 7. Tag holders and their one non-hunting companion will be allowed to drive their vehicles on designated roads to the various parking areas and campsite/animal processing area. Designated roads are: Grizzly Island Road, Red House Road, and Pole Line Road (see attached map). No motorized vehicles will be allowed off designated roads in the hunt area.
- 8. Tag holders will be allowed to camp (no hook-ups) with self-contained travel trailer, motor home, camper, camp trailer, or tent at the "elk pen" camping area (see map). This is also the designated animal processing area. Campfires and/or charcoal barbecues are not allowed (portable gas stoves only).

- 9. An animal processing area will be established at the elk holding pen site for successful hunters to hang, skin, and/or butcher their elk for transportation off the wildlife area. Any biological samples to be collected from the animals will be done at this site. A scale will be provided to record carcass weight. If possible, please bring in the entire carcass of the elk (ungutted). DFG personnel will transport downed animals to the elk pen area for this hunt.
- 10. The Department is collecting teeth from animals taken by hunters for age analysis. Successful hunters should follow directions on the tooth envelope provided to remove the two front teeth and submit them to the Department. The Department will send results to hunters that submit teeth for age analysis.
- 11. Elk tags must be validated by a person designated in Section 708, California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers. The report card portion of all tags must be returned to the Department within one week after the close of the season.
- 12. The use of dogs is prohibited for this hunt.
- 13. Tag holders and their non-hunting companions must wear DFG issued "blaze orange" vests while in the hunt area.
- 14. A wounded animal leaving the hunt area to private property may not be pursued by the tag holder once it leaves DFG land. A DFG representative must accompany the tag holder to pursue a wounded animal on private property.
- 15. The tag holders shall surrender his/her tag to an employee of DFG for any or all of the following reasons:
 - (a) Any act which violates any of the provisions of the DFG Code or any regulations of the Commission.
 - (b) Any act which endangers the person or property of others.

The decision of DFG shall be final.